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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

Daniel MONGET et al.

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For: METHOD FOR DETECTING MICRO-ORGANISMS
AND SUPPORT USED IN SAID METHOD

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

September 18, 2002

In response to the Official Action mailed June 18, 2002,
please amend this application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add new dependent claim 27 as follows:

Sub C1
37. (New) The method of claim 20, wherein said sterile, inert
solid support is placed in a location in said receptacle such that
the support will come into contact with a culture medium contained
within said receptacle.

Please rewrite claim 16 as follows:

Sub R2C1
16. (Once Amended) The method of claim 14, wherein said
physicochemical or electrical parameter is at least one member
selected from the group consisting of CO₂ production, pressure,
turbidity, oxidation/ reduction potential and pH.